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Dear Commissioner Henney:

I am writing to encourage you to support the mandatory labeling of genetically modified foods. I consider it an outrage that people can be denied the freedom to choose what and how they eat. To be denied basic information about foods just because it could interfere with the marketing plans of agribusiness or biotech corporations is too coercive a tactic to be tolerated in a free society. Let people choose to consume foods with GMO ingredients if they wish, but common decency demands that we have the option to reject these products.

You have the responsibility to support strict regulations for health and safety testing for GMOs as well as the labeling. The rush, out of greed, to get these products to market should be countered with comprehensive assessments of environmental risks.

Finally, I would like to point out to you that the assumption, made by agribusiness and others, about the public acceptance of GMOs is questionable. There is a noticeable growth of interest in society about health and quality of life, including pure whole foods. There is also similar concern about the encroachment into basic freedoms by "special interest groups".

Your attention to this issue will be appreciated!

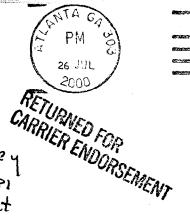
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